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SUBJECT: EXPORT RESTRICTIONS- GUYANA

REF: STAT 146681

1. GUYANA CONTROLS ITS EXPORTS ON AN AD HOC BASIS. THERE IS NO RPT NO CONSOLIDATED LIST OF COMMODITIES WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO THE VARIOUS TYPES OF RESTRICTIONS CITED BELOW. THUS FAR GOG ACTIONS TO RESTRICT ITS FEW EXPORTS HAVE HAD LITTLE IF ANY EFFECT ON US OR OTHER TRADE. THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN TWO SIGNIFICANT CASES DURING PERIOD 1971 TO PRESENT IN WHICH GOG EMBARGOED EXPORTS. THEY WERE: (A) PROHIBITION OF SUGAR SHIPMENTS TO UK IN EARLY 1974 IN ORDER TO FORCE HIGHER PRICE FOR BRITISH (NEGOTIATED PRICE QUOTA) SUBSEQUENT TO WHICH PRICE WAS INCREASED AND SHIPMENTS RESUMED; AND (B) EMBARGO OF BAUXITE PRODUCED BY FORMER REYNOLDS GUYANA MINES LTD, DUE TO COMPANY'S REFUSAL TO PAY BAUXITE LEVY IMPOSED IN MID-1974. EMBARGO EFFECTIVELY ENDED WHEN COMPANY WAS NATIONALIZED ON JANUARY 1, 1975, HAVING LASTED APPROX 10 WEEKS.

2. FOLLOWING MEASURES IN EFFECT ON SPECIFIC ITEMS WITH SIC IN PARENTHESIS;

A BAUXITE (2819511)- NOMINAL EXPORT TAX, NO EFFECT ON TRADE.

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B. PRECIOUS STONES (39152)- NOMINAL EXPORT TAX, NO EFFECT.

C. GREENHEART (TIMBER) (24110)- NOMINAL EXPORT TAX, GOG MONOPOLY ON EXPORTS THROUGH TIMBER EXPORT BOARD. NO SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON TRADE.

D. AQUARIUM FISH (NUMBER NOT AVAILABLE)- NOMINAL EXPORT TAX. NO EFFECT.

E. SHRIMP (2092)- NOMINAL EXPORT TAX. NO EFFECT.

F. MOLASSES (2061)- NOMINAL EXPORT TAX. NO EFFECT.

G. SUGAR (2061)- EAR CONFISCATORY LEVY IMPOSED (1974) IN ORDER TO GARNER EXCESS PROFITS. LIKELY TO REMAIN IN EFFECT INDEFINITELY. LEVY HAS HAD NO EFFECT ON QUANTITY OF EXPORTS THUS FAR.

3. GOG IS PLEDGED TO DIRECTLY CONTROL ALL FOREIGN TRADE, AND WILL PROBABLY REDEEM THIS PLEDGE WITHIN THE TIME-FRAME OF THE MTN. CONSEQUENTLY, EXPORTS WILL BE IMMEDIATELY SUBJECT TO MANIPULATION FOR POLITICAL AS WELL AS ECONOMIC REASONS.

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